



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

**GROUP 2827** 

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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

## Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A substrate comprising:

pads which are provided on the surface of said substrate;

surface layers which are kept to the ground potential and cover the surface of said substrate except said pads and their narrow periphery, wherein said surface layers include a top main surface and a bottom main surface; and

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